

CONAIR®

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PIECE

Haircut kit



**Instructions
For Care and Use**
Model HC500SC

IMPORTANT SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

When using electrical appliances, especially when children are present, take basic safety precautions, including the following:

**READ ALL INSTRUCTIONS
BEFORE USING**
KEEP AWAY FROM WATER

DANGER – any appliance is electrically live, even when the switch is off.

To reduce the risk of death or injury by electric shock:

1. Unplug this appliance before cleaning.
2. Do not place or store appliance where it can fall or be pulled into a tub or sink.
3. Do not use while bathing or in a shower.
4. Do not place in, or drop into water or other liquid.
5. Do not reach for an appliance that has fallen into water. Unplug immediately.
6. Except when charging, always unplug this appliance from electrical outlet immediately after using.

DO NOT REACH INTO THE WATER

WARNING – To reduce the risk of burns, electric shock, fire, or injury to persons:

1. This appliance should never be left unattended when plugged in. Do not pull, twist, or wrap line cord around appliance.
2. This appliance should not be used by, on, or near children or individuals with certain disabilities.
3. Use this appliance only for its intended purpose as described in this manual. Do not use attachments not recommended by the manufacturer. Do not use an extension cord to operate this appliance.
4. Never operate this appliance if it has a damaged cord or plug, or if it is not working properly, if it has been dropped or damaged, or dropped into water. Return the appliance to a service centre for examination and repair.
5. Keep the cord away from heated surfaces.
6. Never drop or insert any object into any opening on this appliance.
7. Do not place appliance on any surface while it is operating.
8. Do not use this appliance with a damaged or broken comb or with teeth missing from the blades as injury may occur. Before use, make certain blades are aligned properly. (See “Care of your Clippers”)
9. Do not use outdoors or operate where aerosol (spray) products are being used or where oxygen is being administered.
10. Never operate the appliance with the air openings blocked or while on a soft surface, such as a bed or couch, where the air openings may be blocked. Keep the air openings free of lint, hair, and the like.
11. Always attach plug to appliance first, then to outlet. To disconnect, turn all controls to “OFF” then remove plug from outlet.
12. Avoid skin contact with moving blades.
13. When using the appliance with its cord, be mindful of tangles or kinks in the cord. If the cord does become tangled during use, turn the unit off and straighten cord before operating again.

SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

FOR RECHARGEABLE APPLICATION

Your new Conair Haircut Kit has everything you need to achieve professional haircuts at home. It has a powerful DC, rechargeable, cord/cordless motor with High Stainless Steel blades for long lasting cutting precision, features a new 5-position adjustamatic taper control. Plus, Turbo button for more cutting power. Whatever hair length you set the lever for, the clipper will automatically cut all hair in that section at the same desired length.

Also included are 10 attachment combs for different hair lengths, barber scissors, a barber comb with straight teeth, a styling comb with angled teeth, barber cape, a neck brush, a hard case for easy storage, and a How-To-DVD filled with styling tips and techniques. It also comes with lubricating oil, a cleaning brush and a blade guard for easy maintenance of the clipper blades.

This appliance is intended for household use. Use on Alternating Current (120V/60 hertz) only.

1. **Before use, the clipper must be fully charged for 16 hours.**
2. After use, turn the switch to "Off" position. Recharge batteries by connecting the charging jack into the receptacle at the end of the clipper and plugging the adapter unit into the electrical outlet. The charging indicator lamp will light up to indicate that charging has begun.
3. After recharging, store in a dry place, away from small children.
4. Do not wrap cord around the clipper.

FOR DIRECT PLUG-IN OPERATION

1. Connect the charging jack into the receptacle at the end of the clipper.
2. Plug the adapter unit into the electric outlet.
3. Turn the switch to "Off" position, let the clipper charge for few minutes first.
4. Turn the switch to "On" position.
5. Unplug the adapter unit after use.
6. After use, store in a dry place away from small children.
7. Do not wrap cord around the clipper.



CONTAINS NICKEL-CADMIUM BATTERY. MUST BE COLLECTED, RECYCLED OR DISPOSED OF PROPERLY. DO NOT DISPOSE OF IN MUNICIPAL WASTE.

BATTERY REMOVAL INSTRUCTIONS

1. Turn appliance off and unplug. Using a small Phillips screwdriver, remove the screw on the bottom housing at back of the clipper.
2. Remove the top housing by hand.
3. Now the battery is exposed so you can separate the wire connectors. Carefully hold the wires on each side of the connector and gently cut the wires. The connector will separate and the batteries can be removed from the inner housing. Bring the battery to the nearest collection centre for disposal or call the toll free RBRC information line at 1-800-8-BATTERY. RBRC is a trademark of The Rechargeable Battery Recycling Corporation. DO NOT throw the batteries into the normal municipal waste system.

Never use cord to pull clipper. Never twist or otherwise obstruct cord. To store, coil cord loosely and secure with a twist tie.

THE CONAIR GUIDE TO CUTTING HAIR AT HOME

Before you start:

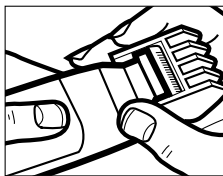
1. Inspect your clipper to make sure it is free of hair and dirt, is properly oiled and is running smoothly.
2. Place a towel or cape around the neck of the person getting the haircut.
3. Seat the person so that his/her head is at your eye level. This gives you greater visibility and control.
4. Comb hair until it is tangle-free. Hold the clipper in a comfortable grip. Now you're ready to cut.

MEDIUM TO LONG CUT

To begin, cut only a small amount of hair until you become used to the length each attachment leaves the hair. Try the longest attachment on the clipper first. If you want a shorter cut, you can then use shorter combs.

- Short attachment comb (number 1) cuts hair to 1/8".
- Medium-Short attachment comb (number 2) cuts hair to 1/4".
- Medium-Long attachment comb (number 3) cuts hair to 3/8".
- Long attachment comb (number 4) cuts hair to 1/2".
- Long attachment comb (number 5) cuts hair to 5/8".

- Long attachment comb (number 6) cuts hair to 3/4".
- Long attachment comb (number 7) cuts hair to 7/8".
- Long attachment comb (number 8) cuts hair to 1"
- Left ear attachment comb lightly tapers over left ear.
- Right ear attachment comb lightly tapers over right ear.

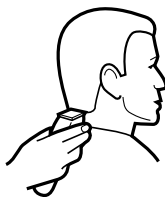


Attach combs by holding the teeth up then snapping onto the bottom of the clipper blade.



To remove comb attachments, place index finger and thumb as illustrated; then pull out and up.

NOTE: Never push or shove the clipper through the hair to make it move more quickly. Professional experience shows that the clipper works most efficiently when it cuts through the hair at its own speed.



To begin cutting hair:

1. The hair should be combed in its natural direction.



2. Using the largest attachment comb, trim sides from the bottom upwards. Hold clipper lightly against the hair with teeth of the attachment comb pointing upward, yet flat against the head. Gradually lift the clipper upward and outward through the hair, trimming just a little at a time. Repeat around sides and back of head.



3. If you want hair to be even shorter: Apply more pressure to the head with the attachment comb that is in place. This takes a little practice, of course. Or, just switch to a shorter attachment comb. Remember, it's better to leave too much hair than too little.

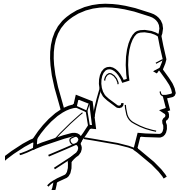


For longer hair on top, use the barber comb and lift hair on the top of the head, cutting over the comb, or hold hair between fingers and cut to desired length.

Always working from the front to the back of the head, gradually cut the hair shorter by reducing the space between the comb or fingers and the head. Comb often to check for uneven strands, and to get rid of trimmed hair. For thicker hair and more cutting power, press the turbo button on the side.

OUTLINING

Outlining requires no attachments. Comb the hair into the desired style, position the clipper between the sideburns and the ear (see sketch) and make sure the corner edge of the blade is against the hairline. With the outline of the hair as your guide, slowly move the clipper over, around and behind the ears. For the back of the neck and the sideburns, hold the clipper upside down (see sketch) and,



holding it against the skin at the length desired, move the clipper downward.

STOP. COMB. CHECK.

For best results, do as the professionals do: comb the hair often and check results as you comb. This way you can avoid uneven sides, bangs, neckline, etc.



SHORTCUTS TO PERFECT FLAT TOPS, CREW CUTS, ETC.

Always cut the hair from the back of the neck toward the crown, using the longest comb setting. Hold the comb attachment flat against the head and slowly move the clipper up through the hair. Use the same technique for the sides, cutting from the bottom to the upper side of the head.

For the front of the crown, cut the hair against its natural direction. Then even it up with the sides.

For a flat top use a flat comb, not the attachment comb. Just cut top hair by running the clipper over the comb.

To taper hair down to the neckline, use the lower settings attachment comb. Comb the hair and check for uneven spots. Outline the sideburns and neckline areas (see Outlining).

USER MAINTENANCE INSTRUCTIONS

CARE OF YOUR CLIPPERS

DETACHABLE BLADE SET

Your clipper is equipped with 2 detachable blade sets for routine maintenance, cleaning and replacement.

To remove the blade: the front of the clipper should be facing you, push up under the blade with your thumb and the blade will pop-out. (See Fig. 1)



To replace the blade: Make sure the taper control is set to the longest position and with the back of the clipper facing you, insert the bottom side (with screws) of the blade into the clipper and push down until it snaps into place. (See Fig. 2)



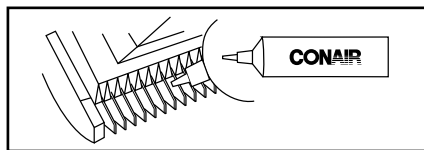
Maintenance of the Blade

Always apply oil to the blades before, during and after use. This will ensure maximum cutting performance. Hold clipper away from your body in a downward position and apply oil on the front and sides of the cutter blade.

Wipe excess oil off with a soft, dry cloth. Any other servicing should be performed by an authorized service representative as the appliance has no user serviceable parts. The product is for household use. Do not pull, twist, or wrap line cord around appliance.

SPECIAL OIL

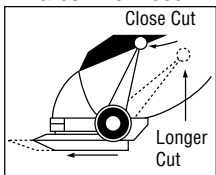
To maintain the blades of your Conair® clipper in peak condition, oil them after every three or four haircuts. Gently place a few drops of oil on the teeth of the blades, using the special Conair oil included with your set. Turn the clipper on for a minute, then turn off. This light, natural oil was formulated specifically for the Conair® high-speed clipper. Because it is the right oil to use, it will not slow down the blades. Never use any other product; there is no substitute for Conair oil.



ADJUSTABLE TAPER LEVER 5 DETENT TAPER CONTROL

Just like levers on professional clippers, the Conair taper lever is positioned at your thumb so you can hold the clipper in your hand and adjust the lever at

the same time...while you're clipping. This taper lever eliminates the need in some situations for an attachment comb because it lets you gradually adjust the closeness of the cut.



For the closest cut and the shortest hair, push taper lever up as far as it will go to level #1. To increase cutting length, slowly push lever down. If you push to the lowest position level #5, it will leave hair about the same length as the short attachment comb.

Because a different cutting edge is used in each setting, the taper lever lengthens the life of your blades. Packed-in hair can slow down any clipper. To remove it, without removing the blades, take your cleaning brush and brush the hair from the blades. If you do this after every clipping, especially with heavy hair cutting, the blades should remain free of cut hair. If clipper stops cutting and this action doesn't help, you might have to loosen the blades to remove the hair.

For new blades, send check or money order for \$8.00 (which includes postage and handling) to:

Conair Consumer Products Inc.

156 Parkshore Drive,
Brampton, Ont. L6T 5M1

NOTE: Never pull on the clipper cord. Never twist or wrap the cord around the clipper; lay it flat with the cord coiled up when not in use.

TO OPERATE TRIMMER

1. Make sure unit is "off". Remove clipper blade by simply placing your thumb in front of the blade and pushing back until the blade detaches. Use cleaning brush to remove any loose hair before attaching the trimmer blade. Attach blade from the back, (lining it up with the small tab) and then push forward until the blade snaps into place. Be sure that the taper control is set to the lowest setting (switch will be away from the blade) before replacing the blade.
2. To trim your mustache, comb hair in the direction of growth. **Push the taper control button to its highest setting. Trimming only works in this setting.** Hold trimmer in an upright position and bring the tip of the blade straight into the mustache to trim.
3. To clean the trimmer, turn unit to "OFF" position. Using your thumb, press upwards against the blade. This

will make it easy to clean. Brush or blow hair clippings from the cutter blade.

4. Again, snap in the blade set until you hear a click. For trimming a beard, goatee and neck, the fine trimming blade head is recommended. This trimmer attachment also works well on sideburns, short beard styles and mustaches. For thick, full beards we recommend using the clipper blade.

TAKING CARE OF YOUR TRIMMER

Oiling the Blades

About once a month you should oil the trimmer blades with the oil provided in your kit. It is best to do this over a piece of newspaper. Turn the trimmer on and hold it so that the blades are pointed downward. Spread one drop of oil across the blades, then turn the trimmer off and wipe away the excess oil with a soft cloth.

Be careful not to use too much oil and don't oil your trimmer more than necessary, as this could damage the motor. (Never attempt to oil the motor bearing, as it is permanently lubricated.) Keep oil away from children.

BLADE CARE

Because the trimmer blades are precision-made for a very special use, they should always be handled with care.

Each time you finish using the trimmer, take the cleaning brush provided and brush away any loose hair that has collected in the blades. Then store the trimmer in its case to protect the blades until the next use. Be especially careful when changing or adjusting blades.

To promote the long life of the appliance, use your trimmer blade only for the purpose intended by the manufacturer – to trim your beard and mustache.

Turbo Feature

This product is equipped with a turbo boost button. When activated, this will provide 15% more cutting power. This is especially useful for cutting through thicker hair.

To activate the turbo feature:

1. Turn the Power switch to the “on” position.
2. Press the Turbo button.
3. Continue to press the Turbo button for as long as you need the extra power.
4. Release the Turbo button to return to normal power.

GROWING A BEARD AND MUSTACHE

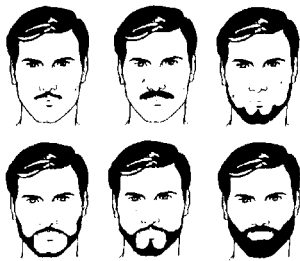
There are three key factors that will determine which beard or mustache style is best for you:

1. The shape and dimensions of your face.
 2. The natural growth of your beard/mustache.
 3. The thickness of your beard/mustache.
- If you are unsure about the type of beard

or mustache that would most suit your face, speak with a professional hair stylist and ask for an opinion on what style would be best. Once your beard or mustache has been styled, it is essential that you maintain its appearance. To do this, use your trimmer to trim your beard/mustache weekly.

For the best trimming results, your beard should be slightly damp (NOT WET) when using your trimmer. This will prevent the trimmer from removing more hair than desired.

TYPES OF BEARDS/ MUSTACHES



GETTING STARTED

OUTLINING YOUR BEARD

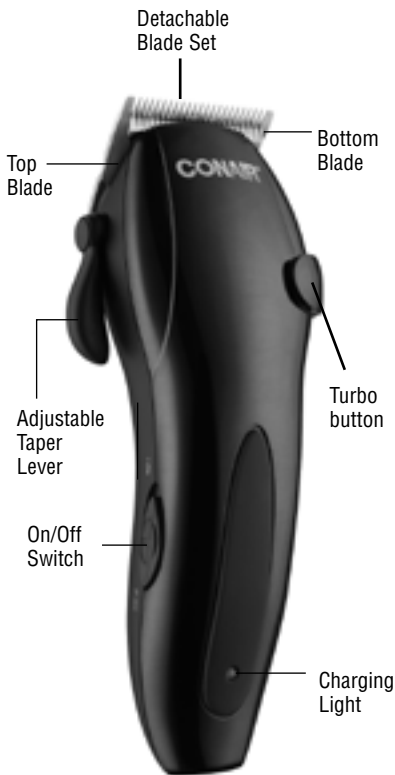
1. It is always best to begin with a clean, slightly damp beard.
2. After you have combed through your beard in the direction it grows naturally, you will want to outline the desired shape, beginning under your jawline.
3. Begin defining your beard's shape under your chin and work upward on each side of your face toward your ears. Then define the upper outline of your beard across your cheeks, past your sideburns, and toward your hairline.



NOW YOU'RE READY TO TRIM YOUR BEARD

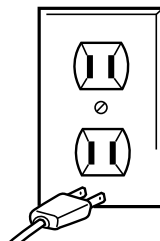
1. Your trimmer adjusts to five positions so you can have a beard length from 3/32" (shortest) to 3/8" (longest).
2. To use the taper control, push upward for shorter cuts and downward for longer cuts. At first, until you become familiar with the adjustments, use the longest trim setting (3/8"). (You can always go back and make your beard a little shorter.)
3. Begin trimming your beard using smooth, even strokes. Start with your sideburns and work downward toward your chin. (Never attempt to trim against the natural growth of your beard because the hair will be cut too short.)
4. If you decide you want a closer trim, you can now adjust the 5-position taper control to a shorter setting (such as 3/32" or 5/32") and go over your beard again until you achieve the desired length.

Get to Know Your Hair Cut Kit



**WARNING:
IF YOU THINK
THE POWER IS OFF
WHEN THE SWITCH
IS OFF,
YOU'RE WRONG.**

KEEP AWAY FROM WATER



Everyone knows that electricity and water are a dangerous combination. But did you know that an electric appliance is still electrically alive even if the switch is off? If the plug is in the power is on. So when you are not using your appliances, keep them unplugged.

**ALWAYS UNPLUG
SMALL APPLIANCES**

Public Service ad from Association of Home Appliance
Manufacturers and Underwriters Laboratories, Inc.

LIMITED FIVE YEAR WARRANTY

Conair will repair or replace (at our option) your unit free of charge for 60 months from the date of purchase if the appliance is defective in workmanship or materials.

To obtain service under this warranty, return the defective product to the service centre listed below together with your purchase receipt and \$7.50 for postage and handling. In the absence of a purchase receipt, the warranty period shall be 60 months from the date of manufacture.

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